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E.O. 11652:GDS
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SUBJECT: NPT PREPCOM CHAIRMAN

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1. BRITISH HAVE APPROACHED CANADIANS IN OTTAWA, AS WELL AS CANADIAN CCD REP WILLIAM BARTON IN GENEVA ON INFORMAL BASIS, TO DETERMINE WHETHER BARTON WOULD BE AVAILABLE AS CANDIDATE FOR CHAIRMANSHIP OF NPT PREPCOM. IF HE IS AVAILABLE, BRITISH PLAN TO APPROACH SOVS AND OTHER PREPCOM MEM ERS WITHOUT DELAY TO PROPOSE BARTON. WE UNDERSTAND THAT APPROACH TO SOVS AND TO MOST OF OTHERS WOULD BE MADE IN NY AFTER COORDINATION WITH USUN.

2. BRITISH HAVE REASSURED CANADIANS THAT BARTON'S CANDIDACY WOULD NOT BE PRESSED TO EXTENT THAT COULD EMBARRASS CANADA OR BARTON PERSONALLY IF THERE SHOULD BE RESISTANCE. HOWEVER, BRITISH WOULD EXPECT TO MAKE SERIOUS EFFORT ON BEHALF OF BARTON'S CANDIDACY AND ARE RELATIVELY OPTIMISTIC THAT HE WILL BE ACCEPTED, DESPITE SOME INITIAL RELUCTANCE TO ACCEPT CHAIRMAN FROM NATO COUNTRY.

3. WE AGREE THAT BARTON WOULD BE GOOD CHOICE AND WILL SUPPORT HIM IF HE IS AVAILABLE. WE WILL INFORM ADDRESSEES AS SOON AS WE KNOW WHETHER OR NOT BARTON IS A CANDIDATE. MEANWHILE, IF ASKED, ADDRESSEES MAY INDICATE THAT WE THINK

BARTON WOULD BE EXCELLENT CHOICE AS CHAIRMAN. CASEY

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